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BRIEF NEWS OF THE PAST WEEK

Interesting Events from Outside the State Presented in a Manner to Catch the Eye of the Busy Reader —Matters of National, Historical and Commercial Importance.

Hamilton flew from San Diego across the Mexican border and back.

Prices of meat and butter are beginning to drop on account of the boycott in the East.

Speaker Cannon assures his support to the $30,000,000 bond issue to aid irrigation projects.

Hetty Green, richest woman in the world, is using fish instead of meat on account of the high prices.

Two jurors have been secured in the Panama libel suit brought against the New York World by Roosevelt.

Judge Landis cautions meat trust investigators and is angry at the publicity given his court prosceedings.

D. K. Pearsons, a Chicago millionaire, has given away $4.000,000, and says he intends to die penniless. He is nearly 90 years old.

It is said there are hundreds of tons of fish and millions of eggs in cold storage in New York City, which will be a total loss if the boycott continues.

The river Seine is the highest ever known. Paris is flooded, many towns and villages throughout France are submerged and many lives have been lost.

Walla Walla poultrymen think hens can bust the beef trust.

A California convict has invented a method to protect checks.

Taft is winning supporters in congress for his legislative program.

Big corporations pay two hundred millions in semi-annual dividends.

Pinchot has been elected president of the National conservation association.

Government attorneys worked all day Sunday preparing for the trial of the beef trust.

British election is considered a tie, which may mean another general ballot in a year.

Government begins attack on concerns composing beef trust, Judge Landis presiding.

Recent Canadian railroad wreck yields over 30 dead and about 20 more are known to be still in the water.

The new comet recently seen from Arizona has also been discovered by African observers. It is as yet unidentified and is known as "comet A of 1910."

Nearly every important river in France is swollen beyond its banks. Many have been drowned and the floods have almost reached the extent of a national disaster.

Unionists still gain in English elections and Irish will have control.

Senator Carter will introduce a bill giving waterpower sites to states.

Japan and Russia both refuse Knox plan for operating Manchurian railways.

The constitutionality of the corporation tax will be decided by the supreme court.

Taft prods the senate for doing nothing, and is assured postal banks will be established.

Train robbers held up a Missouri Pacific train, robbed the mail and express cars and escaped.

Canadian Pacific wreck kills 48 and injures 90 or more. A broken rail caused the accident.

Halley's comet is now reported to be between Mars and Saturn, but not yet visible to the naked eye.

Government prosecution of the National Packing Co., known as the beef trust, will be begun at once.

A number of European aviators are intending to give exhibitions in Pacific Coast cities the coming summer.

A movement for a boycott of 30 to 60 days on meat, to force down the trust prices, is spreading throughout the East and Middle West.

Paulhan made a splendid flight out over the ocean with his wife as a passenger.

The ninth day of the Hermann trial shows only one point scored by the prosecution.

Governors in convention are very jealous of state's rights in discussing conservation.

Banker Walsh spends first night in convict's cell, and prophesies he won't live out his term.

Unionists have gained five more seats in the English election.

Unionists gained more than they expected in the English election.

A Danish professor says Cook is not proven to be a fraud; simply that his proof of having found the pole was insufficient.

Enemies of President Lewis, of the United Mineworkers, have succeeded in suspending the salaries of his organizer-delegates.

Senate committee on statehood says there is no probability of any new states before 1911.

A California woman tramped 16 miles in a blinding snowstorm in the mountains to find her husband who was lost in the storm. Both were rescued.

John R. Walsh begins five year term in penitentiary.

United Mineworkers of America begin convention in Indianapolis.

The big ice gorge in the Ohio river has broken without doing any serious damage.

$200,000,000 IN DIVIDENDS.

Corporations Report Great Prosperity for Past Six Months.

New York, Jan. 25.—January dividends in stocks of nearly all the great corporations of the country have been reported as the largest on record—$202,032,602, but if the present prosperity continues the next July dividends will be quite as large, if not larger.

The majority of the large corporations have their transfer offices and financial agencies in New York city and pay the dividends on their stocks and interest on their bonds through them here semi-annually, in January and July. A few of them pay quarterly through the same agencies.

The total dividends and interest paid by 150 of the most prominent railroads, traction companies, banks and industrial corporations during this month amount to $202,203,602, an increase of $19,776,496 above the semi-annual dividends and interest paid by the same companies in January, 1909.

This total does not include thousands of smaller firms and corporations in New York which undoubtedly paid an equal amount, nor thousands of corporations in other parts of the country, which are just as prosperous and have enjoyed similar profits.

Of the 150 corporations referred to, 22 increased their dividends for January, 16 paid dividends this year for the first time and four reduced their dividends 1 per cent per year, or less, for various reasons.

Few people realize the extent of the country's prosperity. The quarterly dividends which will be due in March next will amount to about $87,000,000, which is $12,000,000 in excess of the total of any previous year.

The 150 railways and others corporations by which these dividends are paid represent about $40,000,000,000 in securities, bonds and stocks.

WILSON QUOTES "JIM" HILL.

Secretary Says Too Few Folks Are Raising Farm Products.

Washington, Jan. 25.—"Undoubtedly if the farms were raising more meat the price would be reduced," said Secretary Wilson, of the department of agriculture, today in commenting upon the widespread boycott against meat products. "There are not enough people on the farms raising food, and too many people are going to the towns to be fed.

"Three quarters of a million people," said Secretary Wilson, "are coming to the United States annually from abroad. They do not go to the farms, where they might help to raise food for the nation. Farmers cannot get help. The foreigners go to the cities, and they have to be fed. The cities produce nothing to eat, although they do produce something to drink."

"Have you any plan for inducing people to go to the farms, where they may help to raise food?" the secretary was asked.

"Jim Hill says they will go there when they get hungry," said the secretary, after shaking his head in reply to the question.

WAGE ISSUE COMING UP.

Coal Miners to Decide This Week Upon Formal Demands.

Indianapolis, Jan. 25.—The most important question before the bituminous coal miners of the United States—what per cent of increase in wages shall they demand and how far shall they go in engineering the demand—confronts the convention of the United Mineworkers of America in this city this week.

The wage scale committee will report, the convention will adopt or amend the committee's report and the demand will be submitted to the mine-owners at the joint conference for Western Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana on February 1. The new wage contract is to be dated April 1.

Conservative union leaders say that the miners probably will demand a 10 per cent increase, some local unions insisting on 20 per cent. One resolution demands 40 per cent.

Hot Springs Hotel Burns.

Hot Springs, Ark., Jan. 25.—The new Waverly hotel and bath house in this city were totally destroyed by fire early today. Although there were many thrilling escapes, a careful checking of the register shows that none of the 92 occupants is injured. Many lost their baggage, however, and stores were opened this evening that they might obtain clothing. Property loss is about $100,000. The amount of insurance could not be learned.

Big Schooner Is Wreck.

Edgartown, Mass., Jan. 25.—The six-masted schooner Mertie B. Crowley, lies tonight a total wreck on the reefs of Martha's Vineyard island. The Crowley was bound from Baltimore for Boston with coal. To the bravery of Skipper Levi Jackson, of the Edgartown fishing smack Priscilla, is due the rescue of the 15 persons aboard the schooner—Captain Haskell, Mrs. Haskell and the crew of 13 men. The skipper's wife, like the others, was lashed for ten hours to the rigging of the battered schooner.

Aerial Circuit Next Aim.

Los Angeles, Jan. 25.—A National aviation circuit, somewhat on the order of the big baseball organizations, may be the result of a conference to be held at St. Louis next month between Cortland Field Bishop, president of the Aero Club of America, and representatives of several of the larger Eastern cities. Thereafter mere flying machine exhibitions as an attraction will be sent into oblivion and actual contests, machine against machine, starting at the crack of a pistol, will take their place.

Two Sharp Shocks Felt

Kingston, St. Vincent, B. W. I., Jan. 25.—Two sharp shocks of earthquake were felt throughout the island at 5:50 this morning. In Kingston the protracted shocks caused a panic, but no damage was done.

Fort de France, Martinique, Jan. 25.—Earth shocks were felt here this afternoon a few minutes before 4 o'clock. The movement was undulatory and lasted one minute. So far as known there was no damage.

NEWS NOTES GATHERED FROM VARIOUS PARTS OF OREGON

TILLAMOOK HAS GOOD YEAR

Coming of Railroad Gives Promise of Great Development.

Nehalem—The year 1909 was one of unprecedented prosperity and a corresponding era of development in the history of Tillamook county, but its successor gives promise of still brighter prospects.

Land values have increased greatly and are still increasing by leaps and bounds. All lines of business have prospered equally and new enterprises have sprung into existence which will be great factors in developing this community and county. The creating of a Port of Nehalem to improve the bar and harbor, is another factor which will determine in a great measure the future operations of sawmills and other industries in connection with the lumber traffic, to enable vessels of deeper draught to enter the bay and bring our products to market.

The real estate transfers of late are sufficient evidence to affirm the most sanguine expectations. Our farmers have enjoyed a most prosperous year. Dairy products have brought higher prices than at any time during the last decade; other produce has also been in good demand at high prices.

Hundreds of men are engaged in the construction of a railway which will be of inestimable value in determining the future of this fertile region, as yet comparatively undeveloped, but rich in natural resources. It will deliver Tillamook county out of its isolated state and bring it directly in touch with the outer world.

The coming of the railroad will mean a wonderful transformation from a comparative wilderness without any regular transportation facilities during the last 25 years, to a country wherein many new homes will be built on now vacant lands. Mills, factories and other industries will be in operation soon, giving employment to hundreds of men.

Stayton Has Big Boom.

Stayton — Building operations in Stayton in 1910 will undoubtedly exceed by fivefold those of any year in the town's history. This is true alike of business structures and dwellings.

Stayton lodge of Odd Fellows will begin shortly the erection of a two-story concrete block on Third street. It will cost $10.000. Jake Spaniol has plans drawn for a two-story re-enforced concrete building 50x100, to rise this spring, the ground floor to be used by his plumbing shop, the upper portion fitted for apartments. W. L. Freres, the local banker, is figuring on another concrete block to be built on Third street, along the Salem ditch. The Stayton Mail will use the main portion of this building as a printing office.

Road improvement is going forward in half the road districts of Marion county, and the city streets here will be macadamized this season. All downtown sidewalks and curbing are being made of concrete, about half the work being already finished. A city ordinance passed last year makes it compulsory that all old walks be relaid in cement, as well as all street crossings.

Coos Bay's Lumber Men Raise Prices

Marshfield—Lumber on the Coos Bay retail market will hereafter be higher, according to an announcement made by the retail department of the C. A. Smith Lumber & Manufacturing company. The local prices have been below other points on the coast, but because of the increased demand for lumber it was necessary to put up the prices. The advance in finished lumber is from $20 to $27 a thousand, but the average advance on all lumber is about 20 per cent. It is claimed this is in keeping with other commodities.

Will Help Crops.

Ashland—Following the high winds of last week a light rain fell, which turned to snow as it fell, and two inches of snow was the result. Fruit growers claim that the protracted cold spell has retarded budding and will lessen the danger from late frosts. They declare the season to be the most favorable to large crops. Winter grain has not been injured in this district and no damage to any crops has been reported so far.

Will Use Gasolene for Power.

Ione—Beall & Co., of Portland, have purchased 800 acres of wheat land near this place, and will demonstrate the use of gasoline for power instead of horses. A 45-horse power engine will be used on the land. If the experiment proves a success, and there is little doubt that it will, as similar machines have been successfully operated in Gilliam county, near Heppner, more machines will be put into use.

Improving Streets of Hermiston.

Hermiston—The Newport Land & Construction company has about 40 head of horses at work filling the sink on East Main street. This improvement will do much to enhance the value of that part of town. Work is also to start immediately on Fourth street. This street is to be graded for about three-quarters of a mile, sidewalks laid and trees planted in the parking area.

Heavy Cattle Shipments

Klamath Falls—A special train of 19 cars of cattle has been sent from here to San Francisco markets. This shipment was the first of the new year, but the prospects are bright for the future. The stock, 300 head, was sold by the Horton ranch and Louis Gerber.

Wallowa county's school children number 2,083, an increase of 170 over a year ago. Enterprise district increased from 333 to 412 pupils; Joseph from 269 to 302; Wallowa from 262 to 309; Lostine from 181 to 197.

Buys Klamath Land.

Klamath Falls—J. A. McReynolds, of Lyle, Wash., has bought the J. S. Stevenson ranch of 160 acres at $60 per acre. The land is under ditch, but otherwise is not improvd.

OPEN 1,200 ACRES IN UMATILLA

Third Unit of Government Project Ready for Settlement Feb 10

Hermiston — Twelve hundred acres of land in the Umatilla project are to be thrown open for settlement February 10 at 9 a. m. Such is the announcement which has been received from Washington, and prospective settlers who have been waiting for the chance to file on the land included in this unit of the project.

The opening is to be in what is known as the third unit. Plats have been received by Secretary Upthegrove, of the Waterusers' association, and those desiring to file must first apply for stock in the association and make formal application for water at the offices of the association in Hermiston before the filing will be accepted at La Grande. In this unit there are 3,952 acres, of which between 1,000 and 1,200 acres comprise government land subject to homestead entries.

Opportunity will be given to take farms varying in size from 10 to 40 acres, upon which the charge for building the project is to be $60 per acre, payable $18 at the time of entry and $6 per acre thereafter until paid. The only additional charge will be the one dollar per acre annual maintenance fee.

Any citizen who has not exercised his homestead right is entitled to make entry on any unoccupied farm unit on the project. The settler has six months from the time of making entry to establish residence and before the end of that time must be actually living on the ground. Title to the land cannot in any case be acquired before the expiration of five years.

Some Damage to Wheat.

Hillsboro—It is thought that the recent freezing weather has done some damage to fall wheat, but it is difficult to estimate the extent of the injury, as some snow remains on the fields, and the freeze has not yet gone out of the ground. This county has no very large acreage of fall grain sown. No reports have been made of the effect on the hop crop and none will be available until later in the winter. A few sales of the last crop have recently been made at about 20 cents.

The fruit crop is probably safe so far, as the sap has not yet started to flow and the cold weather is retarding it. No appreciable damage is likely to result unless warm weather comes to bring up the sap before danger of freezing is past for the winter. The fruit outlook is much improved by reason of last season's careful spraying.

Pendleton to Fight Disease.

Pendleton—Dr. C. J. McFaul, the newly appointed city health officer, has started an active crusade against contagious diease. Henceforth, he has announced, all contagious diseases must be reported to him immediately on discovery. On failure to comply with this order, the offenders will be given an opportunity to explain before the recorder's court. Dr. McFaul has announced his intentions to all of the local practitioners and they have signified their willingness to co-operate with the health officer.

Poultry Show Will Be Big Event

The Dalles—The poultry show, which is scheduled to be held in this city at the pavilion skating rink February 10, 11 and 12, is showing promise of becoming one of the biggest events ever held in The Dalles. Local exhibitors of poultry, two years ago, made a showing that was worthy of a locality in which chickens and egg raising figure as an important industry, but this year they will outdo themselves in making a fine display.

90 Mile Circuit Completed.

La Grande—The Home Independent Telephonse company, which is financed by local people, completed the 90 mile copper circuit between here and Joseph, in Wallowa county.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Bluestem, $1.20@1.21; club, $1.10; red Russian, $1.08; valley, $1.08; 40-fold, $1.12½@1.13.

Barley—Feed and brewing, $30@30.50 ton.

Corn—Whole, $35; cracked, $36

Oats—No. 1 white, $32 50@33 ton.

Hay—Timothy, Willamette valley, $18@20 per ton; Eastern Oregon, $19@22; alfalfa, $17@18; clover, $16@17; cheat, $16@17; grain hay, $16@17.

Fresh Fruits—Apples, $1@3 box; pears, $1@1.50; cranberries, $9 per barrel.

Potatoes—Oregon, 65@85c per sack; sweet potatoes, 2c per pound.

Vegetables — Artichokes, $1@1.25 per dozen; cabbage, $2 per hundred; garlic, 10c per pound; horseradish, 12½c; pumpkins, 1¼@1½c; sprouts, 6@7c; squash, 1@1¼c; tomatoes, $1.50@2.25 per box; turnips, $1.50 per sack; carrots, $1; beets, $1.50; parsnips, $1.50.

Onions—Oregon, $1.50 per sack.

Butter—City creamery, extras, 39c per pound; fancy outside creamery, 34@39c; store, 22½@24c. Butter fat prices average 1½c per pound under regular butter prices.

Poultry—Hens, 16@16½c per pound; springs, 17@18c; ducks, 20c; geese, 18c; turkeys, live, 19@20c; dressed, 22@23c.

Eggs—Fresh Oregon extras, 35@36c per dozen; Eastern, 25@29c.

Pork—Fancy, 10@10½c per pound.

Veal—Extras, 11@12c per pound.

Cattle — Best steers, $4.75@5.25; fair to good, $4.25@4.50; medium and feeders, $3.50@4; cows, top, $3.50@4.25; fair to good, $3@5.50; common to medium, $2.50@3.75; bulls, $3.25@5.50; heavy, $4@4.75; calves, best, $5.50@6.

Hogs—Best, $9@9 20; medium, $8@8.50; stockers, $6.50@7.25.

Sheep—Best wethers, $5.50@6; fair to good, $4.50@5; ewes, ½c less; yearlings, best, $5@5.25; fair to good, $4.50@4.75; lambs, $6@6.50.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 16@23c per pound; mohair, choice, 25c.

Cascara bark, 4½c per pound.

Hides—Dry, 18@19c per pound; dry kip, 17@18c; dry calfskin, 19@21c; salted hides, 10½@11c; salted calfskin, 15@16c; green, 1c less.

AVIATION MEET CLOSES.

Curtiss Wins Speed Contest; Paulhan Height and Endurance.

Aviation Field, Los Angeles, Jan. 21.—As dusk gathered over the old Dominquez ranch tonight four flying machines that had been circling in the air in rivalry of the meadowlarks that for so many centuries have held dominion there, settled softly to earth. The masters of the newest air craft walked to their tents, the great crowd filed down the roadway, and the first international aviation meet ever held in America was over.

All was peaceful and but few knew that one man had been near death in those last few minutes. Charles K. Hamilton was returning from a 15-mile flight toward the ocean, and while a mile from the aviation field the crank shaft of his machine snapped. To ship it would have meant a helpless drift upon the sea. To the aeroplane it means so little that no one in the crowd noticed anything wrong.

Hamilton shut off his engine and so leveled and swayed his planes that he was wafted gently down, touching with scarcely a thud. It was the best piece of emergency handling of a machine that has been seen at the meet.

Curtiss and Paulhan—the great rivals of the meet—furnished the excitement for the closing day. Paulhan went up at 3:25 o'clock for an endurance flight. After he had gone two or three laps of the course, Curtiss started on a ten-lap speed trial, half a lap, or more than three-fourths of a mile behind Paulhan. Instantly it was seen that a great race was on—the first real race of the ten days.

The two airships, full power on, came over the grandstand with the speed of express trains. Curtiss, it was plain, was gaining. He crept swiftly on Paulhan's heels, and on the third lap after starting he reached Paulhan, flying above. The Frenchman for a few seconds held his own, then Curtiss, in his American machine, forged ahead by a nose, a length, and finally by half a lap. It was no race after that. The American machine was demonstrated as the faster beyond question.

As Curtiss rushed over Paulhan he received the greatest applause that any of his efforts have evoked. Paulhan went on until he had traveled 64.4 miles and had been in the air nearly an hour and a half. Curtiss came down after a 30-mile trip.

This race gives the whole story of the meet. The Curtiss machines have won all the prizes for speed, quick starts, perfect landings, and those events where a light, swift machine showed best.

Paulhan has won all the cross-country, passenger-carrying and endurance tests, having a heavier, slower machine and an engine which he trusts completely. Paulhan has taken more than $15,000 in prizes, and has broken the world's records for altitude and for cross-country flights, alone and with a passenger.

A medal presentation took place after this, then Paulhan went upon his endurance flight. The French machine never seemed to run so smoothly. M. E. Cleary, Paulhan's distinctly English manager, was filled with emotion He broke out as follows:

"Look at her! There she goes! Watch the turn when the sun glints the white planes! Isn't it mystical—something above men? By George—like a magnificent albatross after a thunderstorm. Now it's lost on the turn! It's great!"

TAFT WILL FIGHT MERGER.

Lovett Expresses Confidence Railroads Will Win.

Washington, Jan. 21.—It was stated authoritatively today that the government suit for the dissolution of the merger of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific railways would not be dropped. Attorney-General Wickersham has found nothing so far in his investigation to warrant such action.

A conference was held today between the attorney-general and Frank B. Kellogg on the one side, and Judge Lovett, president of the Union Pacific, and counsel representing the allied Harriman lines on the other, for the formal presentation of reasons why the suit to dissolve the merger of the railroads should not be pressed.

The railroad interests have made it clear that they feel confident the suit cannot be pushed to a successful conclusion, and are willing that it should be compromised.

Just before leaving for New York tonight Judge Lovett, when asked if he would have further conferences with the attorney-general on the subject, said that would depend upon many circumstances that he could not discuss.

Pinchot's Acts Illegal.

Washington, Jan. 21.—Controller of the Treasury Tracewell declared today that there was nothing in the law or appropriation for the forest service giving the secretary of agriculture power to send forest rangers to college at government expense and to pay their traveling expenses. When Solicitor McCabe of the department of agriculture took charge of the forest bureau after the dismissal of Gifford Pinchot, he found that about 200 of these forest rangers were attending universities and colleges in the west for short courses in forestry.

Firearms Are Identified.

Toledo, O., Jan. 21.—Postal Inspector J. F. Oldfield was the first witness today in the trial of four members of the alleged Black Hand band of Ohio. A trunk full of firearms, dirks and ammunition was exhibited for identification by Oldfield. He identified certain of these weapons, which he said were taken in raids of the homes of several of the defendants. He identified also a voluminous collection of letters, money orders, checks, writing paper, memorandum books and newspaper clippings as having been found in the homes of various defendants.

Wealthy Japanese Held.

Tacoma, Jan. 21.—United States Court Commissioner Bridges today bound Z. Akawa, charged with smuggling, over to the federal court, continuing the $3000 bond given by the Osaka Shosen Kaisha Steamship company promptly on his arrest. Akawa is rated very wealthy, and is a partner in the large importing house of the Morimura company with houses in New York, Kobe and Niwassa, Japan. The value of the goods was $750.

Monoplane Strikes Wires.

Oran, Algeria, Jan. 21.—A monoplane collided with the telegraph wires here today. The gasoline supply-tube was cut. In a moment the machine was enveloped in flames and crashed to the ground. The aviator escaped with a few burns.

REDUCED TARIFF IS DEMANDED

Farmers Declare Duties Should Be Reduced On Necessities.

Tri-State Meeting at Walla Walla Adjourns—Delegates Go On Record As Urging Many Important Legistive Enactments by Congress—Want Parcels Post System.

Chicago, Jan. 22.—Westward the meat boycott makes its way, gathering momentum as it passes. The "no meat" propaganda started in Cleveland has spread as far west as Denver and promises to project its influence to the Pacific coast.

Labor unions and federations, church organizations, women's clubs, city councils and even state departments of justice in the west are lined up in the fight against what is generally believed to be an intolerably high plane of prices for table foods. The feeling was intensified tonight when the announcement came from Washington that the federal department of justice was planning to proceed against the beef packers.

Dispatches tonight from Kansas City, St. Louis, Pittsburg, Milwaukee, St. Joseph, Memphis, Omaha, Montgomery, Detroit and other cities tell of the spread of the anti-meat campaign and of the pitch of indignation to which the masses are aroused.

If the prospects painted today in telegraphic dispatches are borne out by facts later, next week will see at least a million persons between the Allegheny and Rocky Mountains pledged to abstain from meat.

Advices from Kansas City are specific. The prediction is made there that 80,000 persons will join the eat-no-meat movement. Labor leaders are active, enthusiastic and effective in their efforts. The Carmen's union, with 300 members, voted today to abstain from flesh food for a month. The Allied Printing Trades council, representing 5500, the Building Trades council, and the Industrial Trades council, representing 13,000 members of 99 crafts, have called meetings with the avowed purpose of advancing the boycott cause.

"Assist in the movement to decrease the price of meats." A long list of vegetable dishes followed.

Omaha is taking up the same question. Des Moines citizens are freely signing petitions urging abstention. Word comes from the south that Memphis, Nashville and Baltimore not only are talking boycott, but are acting upon it. Baltimore has adopted a button bearing the legend "I don't buy meat; do you?" This follows a resolution by the Federation of Labor indorsing the boycott.

The St. Louis Women's Trade Union league is discussing the subject, and petitions circulated by women advocating the abolishment of meat from all tables are being numerously signed.

Ohio towns constitute a stronghold for the crusade. The Canton Central Labor union has adopted a strong resolution. In Cleveland the effect of the movement already is seen in a reduction of 15 cents per 100 pounds in beef prices. Eggs are down. Pork, however, shows no decline.

New England apparently is ignoring the movement, but in New York there is evidence of activity. Scores of laboring men and others are making pledges to abstain from meat for 30 days, while many others are only eating meat once a day.

ANTELOPE FEED ON HAY.

Eat Fodder Intended for Starving Wyoming Flocks.

Sheridan, Wyo., Jan. 22.—Stock men in this section are still alarmed over the shortage of feed due to the prolonged unfavorable weather.

Heavy losses are reported in some districts, many sheep having died because the owners could not get food for them. Losses aggregating 20,000 head have been reported.

An additional cause for apprehension is felt among the flockmasters of the Powder river country, about 90 miles southeast of Sheridan, where 200 head of antelopes suddenly appeared this morning and took possession of the ranch of John Cooper on the middle fork of Powder river, between Kaycee and Sussex.

Nicaragua Is Torn Anew.

Managua, Jan. 22.—The Madriz government has ordered the arrest of all Conservative leaders in Managua, Granade, Masaya and Rivas. The discovery of a widespread conspiracy against the Madriz regime is given as the reason. Two Managuan leaders, Benjamin Elizondo and Fernando Solorino, were the first Conservatives to be arrested here. Wholesale arrests are expected at once in Granada. The issue is now clearly defined. It is war to the death between the Liberals and the Conservatives.

Roosevelt Lays Plans.

Washington, Jan. 22.—Confirming the story of his readiness to retire in favor of Theodore Roosevelt, Representative Cocks of New York, who represents the Oyster Bay district, where the Roosevelt home is located, added today that he had informally talked the subject over with Mr. Roosevelt. "The talk was entirely informal," said Mr. Cocks, "and the president's expressions were given in a tentative way. Incidentally the fact that John Quincy Adams had occupied a seat in congress subsequent to his presidential term was brought up."

Billboard Firm Loses.

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 22. — Superior Judge Shackleford today denied the petition of Foster & Kleiser for a writ of mandamus to compel City Building Inspector Trust to grant a permit for the erection of a bill board on Puyallup avenue. The court sustained the demurrer of the city attorney sustaining the validity of the new six-foot bill board ordinance. The petitioners contended that the city ordinance limiting the height of bill boards to six feet was invalid.

Revenue Receipts Grow.

Washington, Jan. 22.—Internal revenue receipts for the current fiscal year continue to show a marked increase over the fiscal year ended June 30, 1909. December receipts amounted to $24,340,193, an increase of $2,045,462 over December, 1908.

MAKES ANOTHER RECORD.

Paulhan Flies 23 Miles and Returns Safely to Starting Point.

Aviation Field, Los Angeles, Jan. 19.—Louis Paulhan, in his Farman biplane, made today what aviation experts here consider the most remarkable cross-country flight in history.

On the wings of a wind that the other aviators hesitated to face, the little Frenchman rode from Aviation field to "Lucky" Baldwin's ranch, 23 miles away, circled the old Santa Anita racetrack and bucked his way back to his tent.

In all he covered an estimated distance of 47½ miles in one hour, 2 minutes, 42 2-5 seconds. He went down with the wind in 30 minutes and came back against it in 33 minutes, leaving off the odd seconds.

The country over which he traveled was the valley lands of the San Gabriel river and the plateau leading to the ocean. He could have landed at almost any place, but he did not. When he climbed out of his car he said his motor was as cool as when he started and that he could do the trip over again at once.

In sheer beauty and contempt of danger the flight rivals that seen on any of the aviation fields of the old world. The only test approaching it in this country was that made by Wilbur Wright last fall, flying with an army officer from Washington to Alexandria and return, a distance of ten miles.

Bleriot, Latham, Farman and Cody have made flights nearly as long, perhaps, but they have not come back. Cody flew 40 miles at Aldershot in 62 minutes last fall. Farman took a 20-mile run to spend a day shooting with a friend, but he landed at one end of his journey.

Cortlandt F. Bishop, president of the Aero club of America, said tonight that he did not know of any flight equal to Paulhan's. It is probable that the prize of $10,000 will go to the Frenchman.

There will be a good deal of official pondering and cabling, however, before a new world record is added to the glory that already belongs to France.

Paulhan maintained an altitude of from 1000 to 2000 feet on his way over the valley. His highest point was 2130 feet, as indicated by the instrument in his car. Under him, speeding over the country roads, scattering chickens and domestic animals, were motors trying to keep in touch with him in case he should fall or have to descend. Mme. Paulhan followed in an automobile, praying and crying.

When Paulhan reached the grandstand, on his return, he was mobbed. The crowd broke through the barriers. The spell under which they had sat for an hour, straining to see the speck in the sky, broke in an ecstasy. The aviator was lifted up and borne over the field as a football hero would be treated, after a championship game. His own countrymen kissed him and wept in joy.

MINIMUM RATE ANNOUNCED.

President Issues Tariff Proclamations to Six Nations.

Washington, Jan. 19.—The president issued today his proclamations in which it is declared that, under the new tariff law, Italy, Great Britain, Russia, Spain, Turkey and Switzerland are entitled to the minimum rate imposed by that act.

The proclamations, which are identical, provide that because Italy and its colonies have not discriminated in tariff rates against the products of the United States and pay no export duty on products sent to the United States that discriminate, the president proclaims that on and after March 31, 1910, Italian products shall be admitted under the minimum tariff.

The proclamation is signed by the president and by Secretary Knox.

Big Ice Gorge Gives Way.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 19.—The great ice gorge that for the last two weeks has held solid in the Ohio river from Wolf creek almost to Louisville broke today and it is moving tonight without doing any damage other than carrying away shanty boats and small craft and causing a cave-in of banks. The flood is expected to reach Evansville, Ind., tomorrow morning. There was a rise of over two feet in the Ohio at Cincinnati during the night, and it has been raining in Louisville for 12 hours.

Shonts Roughed in Tube.

New York, Jan. 19.—Theodore P. Shonts, president of the Interborough-Metropolitan company, which operates a subway and elevated lines in New York, tonight rode home from his office in the subway in the rush hours. After being crushed, battered and squeezed and carried two stations beyond his home station, Mr. Shonts denounced conditions as outrageous and characterized his experience as "fierce." "I'm a pretty strong man," said Mr. Shonts, "but I found it a tough job to get out. I started twice, but each time I was turned back."

Medina Gets Tip, Flees.

Managua, Jan. 19.—The police broke into the house today where General Medina was supposed to have barricaded himself, but found he had gone. Minister-General Banca has issued a general order for his capture on sight. Medina was one of the men whose arrest was ordered after President Madriz had addressed a message to the supreme court demanding that action should be taken against those implicated in the execution of the Americans—Groce and Cannon.

Grandfather of 118 Dies.

Madison, Ill., Jan. 19.—William H. McIlvoy, 74 years old, died today, leaving 26 children and 118 grandchildren. He was a Civil War veteran and boasted he never wore a white shirt or collar, never used an umbrella and never had a picture taken. He was married three times.

Strife May Be Adjusted.

Washington, Jan. 19.—A conclusion of the mediation proceedings between western railway officials and their switchmen is likely to be reached within the next 24 hours. What that conclusion may be is yet problematical.